

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 16, 67-78, and 99-114 have been canceled without prejudice to their continued prosecution in a continuation and/or divisional application.

Claim 47 has been rewritten in independent form as directed to a seating structure, and claims 51, 53, 55-61, 63, and 65-66 have been clarified in view of the rewriting of their respective base claims.

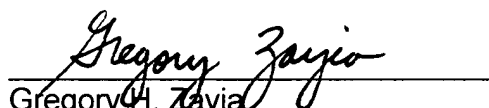
Claims 115, 117, and 119 have been rewritten as directed to seating structures, and dependent claims 116, 118, and 121 have been clarified in view of the rewriting of their respective base claims.

The amendments to claims 47, 115, 117, and 119 were made for solely for the purpose of presenting a uniform claim set directed to seating structures. All of the amendments are unrelated to patentability.

The amendments to claims 47, 115, 117, and 119 are fully supported by the description in the specification (e.g., page 12, lines 9-11; original claims 10-15, 17-46, 79-98; etc.). No new matter has been added. Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 10-15, 17-66, 79-98, and 115-121 are present and active in the application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now ready for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,


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